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- 10. (Amended) A method according to claim 9, wherein a library of candidate bioactive agents is added to a plurality of hematopoietic cells comprising a recombinant nucleic acid encoding a Toso cell-surface receptor.
- 11. A method according to claim 9 further comprising adding a labeling agent that will label apoptotic cells.
- 12. A method according to claim 11 further comprising separating apoptotic cells from non-apoptotic cells.
 - 13. A method according to claim 11 wherein said labeling agent is annexin.
 - 14. A method according to claim 12 wherein said separation is done by FACS.
- 15. A method according to claim 9 wherein said apoptotic agent is selected from the group consisting of an anti-Fas antibody, TNF-α, FADD, cycloheximide, PMA, ionomycin and chemotherapeutic agents.
- 16. A method of modulating apoptosis in a cell comprising administering to said cell an exogenous compound that binds to a Toso protein wherein said binding modulates the biological activity of said Toso protein.



- 17. (Amended) A method according to claim 16 wherein the binding of said exogenous compound to said Toso protein reduces or eliminates the biological activity of said Toso protein.
- 18. **(Amended)** A method according to claim 16 wherein the binding of said exogenous compound to said Toso protein increases the biological activity of said Toso protein.
- 26. (New) The method according to claim 9, wherein the hematopoietic cell is a lymphocyte.

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27. **(New)** The method according to claim 26, wherein the lymphocyte is a B lymphocyte.

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- 28. **(New)** The method according to claim 26, wherein the lymphocyte is a T lymphocyte.
- 29. **(New)** The method according to claim 26, wherein the hematopoietic cell is a lymphoid cell.